area? In many places which you have identified navigational aids are not up to the standard.

SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL: Sir, the aircraft which should come on lease have not come and that was one of the difficulties. Then, we have tried to get the aircraft on lease from others and three aircraft have already come.

SHRI SURESH KALMADI: What was the response of the Airbus people? Are they fulfilling their promise or are we looking around? Are they going to pay for all these things?

SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL: There is an arrangement in the contract that they have to procure and give it to us and if they do not do it we have to procure it and in that condition what is to happen to their responsibility and all those things are contractual matters mentioned in the contract and whatever has been mentioned in the contract will be looked into and it will be implemented. But, then, we have to take aircraft from other companies. Three have already come. The fourth is likely to come in one month's time and the fifth aircraft we have taken from the Duke Air because we could not get the aircraft from others. We are trying to get aircraft from the Soviet Union also on lease. In this fashion we are trying to get the aircraft and trying to close the gap which is there.

As far as navigation and communication facilities are concerned, the National Airports Authority and the International Airports Authority have their plans. They have indentified the airports where these facilities have to be established and they know in what time frame this can be done. For this purpose we shall have to depend not on the industries and factories in India but industries and factories outside because all the equipment we need are not produced in the country. We have to get it from outside also. We are in the process of providing these facilities in a phased and planned manner.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Q.No.185.

SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE: What about Q. No.184?

MR. CHAIRMAN: That has been transferred.

*184. [*Transferred to the 16th March*, 1989]

Inter-Action between National and State level Open Universities

*185. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to bring greater inter-action between the national and the State level open universities in order to avoid wastage and duplication of courses; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI P. SHIV SHANKER): (a) and (b) It is the responsibility of the Indira Gandhi National Open University to coordinate and determine the standards in the Open University and Distance Education System in the country. The IGNOU has set up a Coordination Council including Vice Chancellors of State Open Universities, to make recommendations for coordination of distance education. The Council has proposed a networking arrangement between Open Universities in which any Open University would be free to utilise the course material, or other academic resources of another Open University, thereby avoiding duplication of effort and ensuring cost-effectiveness.

श्री रजनी रंजन साहू: अध्यक्ष महोदय, मेरा प्रश्न है कि राष्ट्रीय तथा राज्यों के स्तर के खुले विश्वविद्यालयों के बीच और अधिक तालमेल कायम किये जाने के कोई प्रस्ताव सरकार के विचाराधीन हैं, या नहीं?

मैं मानता हूं कि देश में मुख्य विश्वविद्यालय और सुदूर शिक्षा पद्धति मे समन्वय करने का उत्तरदायित्व केंद्र सरकार पर है और इसके लिए इन्होंने सिफारिश करने के लिए एक समन्वय समिति का गठन भी किया है।

मैं मंत्री महोदय से यह जानना चाहूंगा कि मुक्त शिक्षा विश्व-विद्यालय के कुलपति के इलावा समन्वय परिषद् के अन्य सदस्य कौन कौन से हैं और इनकी सिफारिश कब तक सरकार के समक्ष प्रस्तुत होने की उम्मीद है।

SHRI P. SHIV SHANKER: Sir, the Coordination Committee consists of the Vice-Chancellor of the Indira Gandhi National Open University who is the Chairman, the Vice-Chancellors of State Open Universities, members, representative of the Department of Education, Ministry of Human Resource Development, Member, representative of the University Grants Commission, Member. This is the Coordination Council which carries out the policy and formulates the guidelines for the purposes of the coordination activity.

श्री रजनी रंजन साहू: मैंने मंत्री महोदय से यह जानना चाहा कि समन्वय समिति की सिफारिशें कब तक आने की उम्मीद है। आपने जो समन्वय समिति का गठन किया है उस में कोई शिक्षाविद का नाम नहीं है तो क्या मंत्री महोदय यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि इस समन्वय समिति को और व्यापक रूप दिया जाए जिससे कि नेटवर्क की व्यवस्था का प्रस्ताव आपने जो दिया है उसमें सुदृढ़ और अच्छे ढंग से ताल-मेल हो सके।

श्री सभापति: यह जानना चाहते हैं कि कोई शिक्षाविद रखे हैं या नहीं रखे हैं?

SHRI P. SHIV SHANKER: Sir, this is a matter of coordination of the open university. I have said that the Indira Gandhi National Open University, by virtue of section 5(2) itself, has the authority for coordination. So, all the Vice-Chancellors of the open universities are ... *(interruption).*

श्री सभापति: यू०जी०सी० के लोग शिक्षाविद हैं या नहीं हैं।

श्री पी० शिवशंकर: इसका जवाब देना तो... **(व्यवधान)**

श्री रजनी रंजन साहू: सभापति जी, जो अन्य क्षेत्रों से शिक्षाविद आते हैं। मेरा तात्पर्य उन में से है यानी अदर दैन वाइसचांसलर्ज़ रखने का है।

श्री पी० शिवशंकर: अन्य क्षेत्रों से कोई संबंध नहीं है या तो कोआर्डिनेशन का प्रश्न है। इस वास्ते ओपन यूनीवर्सिटीज़ के जितने भी वाइसचांसलर्ज़ हैं वह सब सदस्य हैं।

SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL: Mr. Chairman, Sir, I understand that the Indira Gandhi National Open University is going to work as a very important Asian Regional Centre for a similar university being set up by the Commonwealth. I would like to know from the hon. Minister whether in order to transmit the benefits to the other States, the Indira Gandhi National Open University would follow up these schemes which it is going to take up with the Commonwealth University.

SHRI P. SHIV SHANKER: Sir, that is a hypothetical question but I would like to submit that study centres have been established all over the country. The courses and the faculties are spread out and the jurisdiction of the Indira Gandhi National Open University is the entire country itself. Now, the question is, the schemes of the Commonwealth Open University, as and when they are taken up, naturally I presume, I cannot say at this stage, having regard to the fact that the jurisdiction is quite wide, they could perhaps take it up. It is not possible for me to answer at this stage but each scheme would be considered on its own merit.

SHRI BHUBANESWAR KALITA: Mr. Chairman, Sir, I would like to know whether the Government has decided to establish a Central University in Assam, if so, whether this will be an open university.

SHRI P. SHIV SHANKER: Sir, we have decided to open a university in the Cachar region. It is not going to be an open university. This is because of the commitment that was made that a Central University should be established, it is being established there in Cachar region.

डा० अबरार अहमद खान: सभापति महोदय, राजस्थान में भी एक कोटा ओपन यूनीवर्सिटी है लेकिन उसका मात्र नाम है ओपन यूनीवर्सिटी ; उसका कार्य एक कोरेसपोंडेंस संस्था की तरह से है। मैं यह जानना चाहूंगा कि क्या उस कोटा यूनीवर्सिटी को ओपन यूनिवर्सिटी की तरह से स्टेंडर्ड दिलाने के लिए उसमें सुधार लाने के लिए कोई कदम उठा रहे हैं?

SHRI P. SHIV SHANKER: Sir, about the Kota University, I must bring to the notice of the hon. Member that this is a university which has been declared as fit to receive grants even from the U.G.C. It is a working University.

यह नाम मात्र नहीं है, मैं इतना निवेदन करूं, कोर्सेज है, फैकलटीज़ हैं और काफी अच्छा काम हो रहा है और उसके साथ इंदिरा गांधी नेशनल ओपेन यूनिवर्सिटी का कोआर्डिनेशन भी है।

MR. CHAIRMAN: Question Hour is over. Papers to be laid on the Table.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

हिन्दी के विकास से संबंधित संस्थाएं

*186. **श्री संतोष बागड़ोदिया:** क्या **मानव संसाधन विकास** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) हिन्दी के विकास हेतु केन्द्रीय सरकार के अधीन स्थापित की गयी हिन्दी संस्थाओं की संख्या कितनी-कितनी है;

(ख) गत तीन वर्षों के दौरान प्रत्येक संस्था पर प्रति वर्ष कितनी धनराशि खर्च की गयी है; और

(ग) उस से प्राप्त हुए परिणामों का ब्यौरा क्या है?

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री (श्री पी० शिव शंकर): (क) केन्द्रीय हिन्दी संस्थान, आगरा हिन्दी के विकास के लिए स्थापित किया गया है।

(ख) वर्ष	राशि (लाख रुपयों में)
1985-86	150.86
1986-87	130.50
1987-88	166.39

(ग) संस्थान ने बड़ी संख्या में सेमिनार/अनुस्थापन पाठ्यक्रम आयोजित करने के अलावा 4758 शिक्षकों-/विदेशी छात्रों को प्रशिक्षित किया। इसने पिछले तीन वर्षों के दौरान 43 अनुसंधान पुस्तकें/पाठ्य पुस्तकें तथा सहायक सामग्री भी प्रकाशित की है।

Declaring K.C. Canal in Andhra Pradesh as National Waterway

*187. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to declare K.C. Canal in Andhra Pradesh as a National Waterway;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) K.C. Canal is not among the 10 waterways identified for consideration for